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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Box Springs Off Ramp At Northbound SR60/I-215 Freeway Set for Ten-day Closure**

*Motorists to use alternate on ramps to access neighborhood*

**RIVERSIDE** – The California Department of Transportation, Caltrans, today announced the off ramp to the State Route 60/Interstate 215 Freeway from Box Springs/Fair Isle will be closed for ten days beginning Wednesday, March 15 and ending on Saturday, March 25. The closure, which begins at 9 p.m., is necessary to continue building a new bridge over the freeway at the Box Springs/Fair Isle location.

Motorists who normally use the Box Springs/Fair Isle ramp are advised to use the following on ramps:

- ✍ From eastbound SR60/I-215, exit at Day Street and continue southbound to Eucalyptus Ave. Then go westbound to Sycamore Canyon Blvd. and proceed northbound to Box Springs/Fair Isle.
- ✍ From eastbound SR60/I-215, continue past the Box Springs/Fair Isle exit to the Central/Watkins exit. Go westbound under the freeway and continue southbound on Sycamore Canyon Blvd.

The Box Springs/Fair Isle Overcrossing will not be closed, just the northbound off ramp. Motorists should allow an additional 45 minutes to their normal commute time to accommodate the closure.

Caltrans is in the midst of a \$317 million effort to improve the 60/91/215 freeway interchange area. The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are partners in this effort.

The three freeways that make up this overall improvement project and interchange are critical links between major Inland Empire communities in both Riverside and San Bernardino counties and serve the major flow of commuter and commercial traffic throughout the region. This interchange carried nearly 314,000 daily vehicles in 2003 and served more than 332,000 daily vehicles in 2004.

For project updates, call Caltrans directly at 1-866-60-91-215, or view the Web site at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/6091215/schedule.htm>

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